

To The Honorable, the General Assembly  
of the State of North Carolina

The Memorial of Bernard Laspeyre of the  
County of Sampson, Sheweth unto your honorable Body,  
that your Memorialist having been lately apprised that  
a Vicious and Unfamous Libel, under the name of a  
Petition, Had been presented to the said General Assembly,  
Subscribed Harriet Laspeyre, your Memorialist procured  
himself yesterday a copy of that long letter of abominable  
calumnies.

Though that oblique Document is subscriber by  
your Memorialist Wife; it cannot be the production of  
that fallen angel, once the ornament of her Sex. & female  
Fame can not yet in this country have reached to that  
summit, that a Wife the Mother of six children, after  
having destroyed forever privately her husband's peace-  
and happiness, Should have the impudence, the hardihood to  
adduce him before the General Assembly of the State of Wrong  
which in her heart she knows to be utterly unfounded, and  
which had they been true, would have been presented, Long ago  
to the Superior court which by a law passed in 1814, is the  
proper tribunal for redress.

~~your Petitioner Memorialist at the first glance  
of that Document soon discovered, that it was not dictated  
or written by his Wife, but that it wholly emanated from the  
renowned pen of that Well Known Blasphemous author  
of Low morals and Vulgar Intrigue, that justly  
elements of misapplied talents, and disappointed ambition  
whose vice and immorality are proverbial~~

your Memorialist is fully convinced that his Wife  
never set that Document before the signature, and that  
previous to the signing of it, some impudent fellow had  
been given to her, by the female with whom she now stays  
and who is constantly intoxicated herself.

It would be irrelevant in the humble opinion  
of your memorialist, to enter in this Petition, into a refutation